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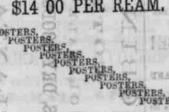
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Mandemoisente Patti sing again."

Certainly," said the banker; "Monsieur Strakosch, Miss Patti will repeat 'N'est ce pas!" "The same?" said Maurice Strakosch; "the same all round?" The my Darling! He may at times speak sooner die than strike me. He battles Baron, not observing the feel of money its trials, vicissitudes, temptations and hypocricies—he labors day after day all for me! When he leaves me it is with a kiss. I feel his lips—I see deep into his eyes—I feel his firm, manly, gentle touch—I rest in his heart like a ship at kiss. I feel his lips—I see deep into his eyes—I feel his firm, manly, gentle touch—I rest in his heart like a ship at is my Darling! His eye is clear-his voice that of love-his touch is con-stancy-he is mine and God knows I love him as a Darling should be loved.

Ah! that is he! I know his step. Firm, quick, manly, ringing and looked for. His hand is on the gate—he springs up the steps or hastens across the porch —he touches the door—it opens—be still little fluttering heart—his arms fold me to his heart—his lips—his eyes—himself—all mine; my Darling! Don't you know him? I do! Would know his step, his touch, his voice, his presence from all the millions of God, for he is MT Darling. He brings me books, papers, pic-tures, keepsakes; he fills my lap with gifts and my soul so full of joy, not for his gifts, but for his remembrances of

me, and because he is my Darling.

Do you see this house? This bome? This air of comfort? The carpets, the pictures, the furniture, this homemine as is my Darling, for he gave all to me. And do you know how safe I feel when he is by? And how I tremble and tremble when he is away, for there are more dangers in the air than there should be. I do not fear for myself, but for my Darling! No, I dow't! He is good! He is brave. He is manly. He loves me. He is true and constant. He loves he will soon be with me-lie still, luttering heart, my Darling will soon be

The years creep over us. The storms fall about. The winds pipe shrill. The thatch fades and thins, but the heart of my Darling, and his Darling are warm and loving. You cannot win him from me. Others cannot win him from me. Time cannot win him from me-my Darling!

What care I for the smiles or frowns of others? His arms—his eyes—his lips—his kisses—his heart! Wealth is nothing—poverty is nothing—my Darling is all. I love him in health when the blood courses hot and swift through his veins—I lave him when the fever or delirium parches his cheeks, thickens his eyest unstained breath or throws his a high compliment to that State: sweet, unstained breath or throws his a high compliment to that State; brain in a whirl, for he is my Darling Maryland, more than any other here a he will be hereafter.

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As the cold weather is approaching,

THE SPITTOON TRICK.

sured, pass the cord through the two holes of the spittoons and give the ends to a gentleman and lady, selected from the company, to hold. Now let a lady seize the spittoons, and sliding each to the opposite end of the cord, bring them together smartly, when they will break in pieces and fall to the floor. This tricks is easily performed, and will excite considerable applause.

try to crush it end ways, either between your hands or by sitting on it. This, to your astonishment, you will find impossible to do.

President may decide, whether he sends in the troops or not, the vantage ground of Saturday will be held by these indomitable patriots to the last. THE PLYING HEN.

Select a large, well-fed hen—the color immaterial, though black is best, and is immaterial, though black is best, and place her in a sitting position on some smooth surface. Then over her place a pasteboard box, eighteen by thirty inches. Pound smartly on the top of the box with a bone handled table knife for three minutes, and then suddenly raise it, when the hen will suddenly fly away. This trick can be performed by any person of average intelligence who gives his whole mind to it. mind to it.

. THE NAIL TRICK. Take two large wrought iron nails, and wire them together in the form of a cross. It will then be found impossible to swallow them. There is no deception about this.

THE CABLE. Take a piece of tarred cable about fifteen inches in length, cut it carefully in two with a sharp knife, and then try to chew the ends together. You can try as

THE MAGIC EGGS. Put twelve fresh eggs carefully into a green worsted bag. Swing the bag rapidly about your head, hitting it each time against the door post. Then ask the company if they will have them boiled, scrambled or freed. It will make no difference which they choose.

ong as you like.

left hand, give them a sharp rap with the knuckles of the right. Then place them on the table with the face down, and defy the company to find the jacks. They can't do it.

Patti.

Patti is now worth \$300,000 in gold; her father as much, approximately, and Maurice Strakosch, the making and the made of them, ought to be worth half a million. A sweet Shylock is Maurice in art, and I cannot forbear telling you the part he played in the salons of Rothschild. Patti, as you know, goes out to gentlemen's houses of night to sing, and gets therefor clever sums. At first, in the flush and heyday of her coming, she demanded through Maurice as much as 10,000 francs per night. She is now willing to sing for 5000 francs (and once, I among the state of the stat I am sorry to say, consented to appear with Theresa, the ballad woman). Rothschild, on a certain night not long ago, had it arranged with Maurice Strakosch that he should produce Patti at the banker's place, where she should sing two selections for \$2000. The night camethe guests were of the froth of Rochefort -Patti surprised herself. When she had done, there went up a great cry of encore. "Baron," said the ladies, "won't Mademoiselle Patti sing again?" "Cercalm, all the hours he is from me, for he every two chansons. The banker paid it, is my Darling! His eye is clear—his but it cured him of his infatuation, and he goes no longer to see Patti.

Southern Lands. A Montgomery, Alabama, paper has the following in relation to cotton lands for sale in Central Alabama:

These range from ten to thirty dollars per acre, mostly cash. Few of them contain less than six hundred acres, the greater part of them rising to two thousand and two thousand five hundred. The improvements on most of these estates could not probably be put there, at present prices, for the money that would buy both land and improvements. The lands are offered at prices in currency which are lower than the specie price before the war; in most cases the price in greenbacks is not more than half of what the same plantations would have sold for in gold six years ago. The inducements to buy and cultivate these lands are said to be greater now than they were before the war. Before the war, "a field hand was worth fifteen hundred dollars in gold, the interest of which, at eight per cent (the rate in Alabama), was one hundred and twenty dollars in gold, beside his clothes, taxes, doctor's bills, the loss of his time during sickness, insurance, etc. The same hand can now he hired at ten dollars per month-one hundred and twenty dollars per annum-clothes himself, pays his own doctor's bills, taxes, etc., deducts all time lost by sickness, and if he dies it is his own loss. The same way by horses and mules; they can be hought for less in currency than they could before the war in gold. Provisions are nearly the same, when reduced to a gold basis.

Maryland, more than any other commonwealth, must be made a free and certainly an unobstructed state. Imagine the fate of our great interests if Kentucky laid acress their pathway to the national capital. Kentucky is to day parlor juggling, in the absence of slight of hand performances, will be a pleasant way of passing an evening. The following tricks can be performed by any one of common sense, and never fail: opposing armies during the rehallion, she would not now be a citadel of treasun i more formidable than South Carolina or Take two half gallon spittoons—white ones are the best, then select a strong red cord—a worsted one if it can be promitted to vote, their suffrages, added to those of the white loyalists, would still leave the rebels in a tremendous majority. And when the rebel organization of every Southern State has been dis-

pearl handled knife and a hard wood example has saved Maryland from the stick, some two inches in length. Sharpfate of Kentucky, and, however the en the two ends of the stick, and then President may decide, whether he sends

Journalists' Duels; in France A Paris correspondent writes that another duel had taken place in the woods of Vicennes between two Parisian journalists, M. Duplessis and M. de Fonvielle,

and adds:

The seconds of the latter gentleman were the Viscount de Poli and M. Clement Duvernois, and for the former, M. Armand Gourzien and Viscount de Sars. They fought with swords, and a number of passes having been exchanged without any result, the seconds interfered and insisted on the champions shaking hands. I have never heard that any particular kind of sword is manufactured for journalists to fight with, but there is a current story that special innocuous bullets are made for their use. Duels are more frequent among journalists than any other class of French society. Indeed, but for the susceptibility of public writers, dueling would be almost as obsolete. in France as it is in England. In the army it is scarcely ever heard of, al-though even private soldiers may obtain leave to fight. Without any special re-ference to the affair of to-day, of which I know nothing, I seriously cannot help suspecting that a great many journalists' duels are advertisements for the parties ongaged.

"HIBERNICUS" writes to the New York Tribune censuring Mr. Johnson for hav-Select a pack of cards with plain white backs. Take out the four jacks and burn them before the company, letting them see the ashes. Now shuffle the cards quickly, and holding them in the left hand, give them a sharp rap with the knuckles of the right. Then place them on the table with the face down.

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